MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHULA VISTA SAFETY COMMISSION

January 4, 2012 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
City Hall - Building 100
276 Fourth Avenue

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call:

Present: Chair Moriarty; Commissioners Caudillo, Cochrane and Navarro

Absent: Commissioners Fuentes, Gove and Liken

Staff present: Principal Civil Engineer, Frank Rivera; Sr. Civil Engineer Muna Cuthbert; and Florence

Picardal, Recording Secretary

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Opening Statement

Opening statement read by Chair Moriarty.

4. Approval of Minutes October 5, 2011 and October 12, 2011

Minutes were not available for October 5, 2011. There was no quorum for special meeting of October 12, 2011 – minutes accepted into record..

5. Oral Communications

None.

MEETING AGENDA

Item 7 was taken out of order.

7. Resolution of the Safety Commission of the City of Chula Vista Recommending that the Chula Vista City Council Accept the Final Report for the Seniors, Sidewalk and the Centennial Grant

Principal Civil Engineer Rivera introduced the consultant team of Leah Ostenberg from WalkSanDiego and Tina Zenzola from Safe & Healthy Communities Consulting. Over the past year, City staff and the consultant team have been working on the grant project "Seniors, Sidewalks and the Centennial". Ms. Ostenberg and Ms. Zenzola gave a presentation on the program. The recommendations made in the final report will be evaluated by City staff and, as applicable, will be brought forward to the Safety Commission for disposition. Some of the recommendations call for additional pedestrian improvements in western Chula Vista, such as enhanced crosswalks on Broadway. Other recommendations made by the senior community such as tree trimming to provide better sight distance and visibility or sidewalk repair issues have already been forwarded to the Public Works Operations staff since they are routine matters that do not require additional approvals.

Commission Discussion: Commissioner Navarro stated the report was very detailed and complete. Commissioner Caudillo stated the report was well thought out and researched.

Staff Recommendation: That the Safety Commission concur with staff and adopt a resolution recommending the Chula Vista City Council accept the Final Report for the Seniors, Sidewalk and the Centennial grant.

MSC (Navarro/Cochrane) to adopt a resolution recommending the Chula Vista City Council accept the Final Report for the Seniors, Sidewalk and the Centennial grant. (4-0-3, Fuentes, Gove, Liken absent)

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

6. Oral Presentation - "Priority Intersections/Traffic Signal Fund"

Principal Engineer Rivera presented "Priority Intersections/Traffic Signal Fund". This is the same presentation that was given at the October 12, 2011 Public Safety Subcommittee meeting. The presentation included:

Vehicular and Pedestrian Traffic Safety Program Goals
Work Program: Education/Enforcement/Engineering
Identifying Potential Safety Enhancements
Expanded Enforcement Toolbox – "The Enforcer" or "Rat Tail"
Prioritize Intersection Improvements
CIP funding for traffic projects
Top 10 Intersection Incident Locations 2007-2009
CIP Projects Completed in FY 2010-2011
CIP Projects in FY 2011-2012

8. Pedestrian Safety and Bikeways Program - CIP Update

Principal Civil Engineer Rivera gave a short presentation.

9. Traffic Accident Summary for August 2011

There was no representative from the Police Department.

OTHER BUSINESS

10. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Caudillo asked if staff has received any feedback from the City Attorney's office about the liability to the City on raising/lowering speed limits. Principal Civil Engineer Rivera responded when speed limits are revised the City uses the procedures provided for in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and California Law.

Chair Moriarty stated the Commission's name will remain "Safety Commission".

11. Staff Comments

None.

ADJOURNMENT AT 7:53 P.M. to the next scheduled meeting of February 1, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Picardal, Recording Secretary

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